GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVICES – PRED – Allegations of laying of substandard pipes and other lapses in the execution of the work of CPWS scheme to Puttur and 6 other habitations, in Chittoor District - V&E Inspection - Disciplinary action initiated against Sri G. Srinivasulu, former Dy.E.E., RWS&S, Puttur and Sri M. Venkata Ramana, former Assistant Executive Engineer, RWS, Puttur – Written Statements Of Defences submitted by the Charged Officers – Further action dropped – Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 685

<u>Dated:3-05-2011</u>. Read the following:

- 1. From G.A.(V&E) Dept. Vigilance Report No.26 (205/V&E/ E1/05), Dt.3.3.2006.
- 2. G.O.Rt.No.1494, PR & RD (Vig.II) Deptt., dt:20.10.2009.
- 3. G.O.Rt.No. 1495, P.R. & R.D.(Vig.II) Deptt, Dt:20.10.2009.
- 4. From Sri G. Srinivasulu, DEE, Written statement of Defence, Dt:10.12.2009.
- 5. From Sri M. Venkata Ramana, A.E.E., Written Statement of Defence, dt:10.12.2009.
- 6. Govt. Memo.No.5676/Vig.II/A1/2006-6, Dt:05.03.2010
- 7. From the ENC, PR, Hyd., Lr. No. Vig.(4)/ 10461/09, Dt:19.3.2010.
- 8. From the ENC, RWS&S, Hyd., Lr.No. Vig.(2)/4564/2006, Dt:12.11.2010,

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ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, it has been brought to the notice of the Government by the General Administration(V&E) Department, on the allegations of irregularities in laying of substandard pipes and other lapses in the execution of C.P.W.S. schemes in Puttur and 6 other habitations. The General Administration (V&E) Department, has inspected the site and pointed out that, check measured the erroneous trench width & insufficient sand bed thickness resulting in possible excess payment of Rs.48,753/- to contractor and allowed less strength steel in reinforcement and recommended to initiate disciplinary action against Sri G. Srinivasulu, former Deputy Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation, Puttur and Sri K. Venkata Ramana, former Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation, Puttur, Chittoor District.

- 2. Disciplinary action was initiated, interalia, against Sri G. Srinivasulu, former DEE, RWS, Puttur, and now working as Dy.E.E., P.R., and Sri K. Venkata Ramana, former A.E.E., RWS&S, Puttur and now working as A.E.E., P.R., by framing article of charges for the lapses in laying of substandard pipes and other lapses in execution of CPWS Schemes in Puttur and 6 other habitations, Chittoor District, in the references 2nd and 3rd read above. The Charged Officers submitted their Written Statements of Defences, in the references 4th and 5th read above and stated that, the payment was not made to the Contractor at that time and as pointed out by the Vigilance & Enforcement Officials, the payment was made only for the trench width of 0.45 Mtrs. and thus, there is no kind of loss incurred to the Government and requested to exonerate from the charges.
- 3. The remarks of the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad has been called for on the Written Statements Of Defences submitted by the Charged Officers, vide reference 6th read above. The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad, has informed that the case relates to the Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department and the Original Record connected to this case was also transmitted to the Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department and that the Engineer-

in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation, Hyderabad has been requested to furnish his specific remarks w.r.t. the Written Statements Of Defences submitted by the 2 Charged Officers, viz; Sri G. Srinivasulu, former DEE, RWS, Puttur (now working as DEE, PR) and Sri M. Venkata Ramana, AEE, RWS, Puttur (now working as AEE, PR) vide reference 7th read above.

- 4. The Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation, Hyderabad, in the reference 8th read above, has furnished his specific remarks on the Written Statements Of Defences submitted by the 2 Charged Officers, viz; Sri G. Srinivasulu, former DEE, RWS, Puttur (now working as DEE, PR) and Sri M. Venkata Ramana, AEE, RWS, Puttur (now working as AEE, PR) and stated that the recovery of Rs. 48,753/- as proposed by the General Administration (V&E) Department, was made from the Contractor and the Completion Report was approved duly incorporating the same. The Superintending Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation, Chittoor has certified that all the Structures constructed are being fully utilized to the full capacity since their commissioning. Further, the then M.L.A., Puttur, who had made the allegations, has withdrawn his Allegation Petition, stating that the Scheme is functioning properly and the allegations over this Scheme may be dropped.
- 5. Government, after careful examination of the matter, hereby decided to accept the Written Statements of Defences submitted by the (2) Charged Officers, in view of their explanations and also in the light of the specific remarks/recommendations of the Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation, Hyderabad, vide reference 8th read above and to drop further action against Sri G. Srinivasulu, former Deputy Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation, Puttur (now working as Deputy Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj) and Sri M. Venkata Ramana, Assistant Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj). Accordingly, hereby drop further action against Sri G. Srinivasulu, former Dy. Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation, Puttur (now working as Dy. Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj) and Sri M. Venkata Ramana, Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation, Puttur(now working as Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation, Puttur(now working as Assistant Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj).
- 4. The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad/the Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation, Hyderabad shall take further action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

DR. RAJIV SHARMA,
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT(PR).

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The individuals through Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad.

The Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation, Hyderabad.

The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, A.P. Vigilance Commissioner, Hyderabad.

The General Administration (V&E) Department (126(270/V&E/E2/07).

//FORWARDED:: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER